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Re: New U.S. Patent Appln.
Our Ref: 100689.52860US

Sir:

Transmitted herewith for filing is the patent application of:

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entitled: **DEVELOPING APPARATUS IN AN IMAGE FORMING
APPARATUS**

Enclosed are:

1. Application Data Sheet
2. Specification, including 6 claims (28 pages).
3. 5 Sheets of Formal Drawings showing Figs. 1-6.
4. Priority is being claimed under 35 U.S.C. §119 and 37 C.F.R. §1.55 based on Priority Documents 2002-318458, filed in Japan on October 31, 2002 and 2002-318504 filed in Japan on October 31, 2002.
5. The filing fee has been calculated as shown below:

Basic Fee					\$385/770	= \$770.00
Total Claims	<u>6</u>	- 20	= <u>0</u>	x	\$9/18	= \$
Independent Claims	<u>2</u>	-	= <u>0</u>	x	\$43/86	= \$
Multiple Dependent Claim Presented					\$145/290	= \$ 290.00
Total Filing Fee						<u>\$1,060.00</u>

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